Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—(1) Yes. A copy is placed on the table. (*Appendix V*).

(2) No.

(3) Correspondance between His Highness and the Diwan is confidential. The request has not been granted.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What was the recommendation of the Diwan on this request of the Director? Here it is stated that the correspondence is confidential. I wanted to know what remarks were made by the Diwan on the request of the Director.

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—That is confidential.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Are all the recommend ations made by the Diwan to his Highness confidential?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—Yes.

Forest Training.

496. Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) what became of the two young men who were selected and sent to Dehra Dun at Government cost for forest Conservator's training;

(2) what amount was spent by the Government on each of them;

(3) what were the terms of agreement, if any, that the Government came to with them when the Government undertook to send them up for training;

(4) will the Government be pleased to give a caste-war list of the applicants from whom the selection of these two young men was made, showing the Educational qualifications, age, etc., of each and to state the grounds on which preference was given to these two?

(1) **Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.**—Of the two young men who were sent to Dehra Dun for being trained in forestry, one passed and the other failed. The practical training period of the student who passed in the examination has been extended for 1½ months and he was not able to complete that course within the prescribed period owing to illness.

(2) An amount of Rs. 10,967—7—0 was spent on account of the student who passed in the examination and Rs. 10,092—10—0 was spent on account of the other.

(3) A Form of the agreement is appended. (*Appendix VI*).

(4) A list is appended. (*Appendix VII*).

The grounds on which the selection was made are the following.

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(a) Preference given to those with Botany as optional,
(b) Good physique.
(c) The age limit prescribed by the College, *i. e.* 23.
(d) Marks scored in the University examination.

Applicants for the post of the Superintendent of Agriculture.

497. **Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the number, names and qualifications of the applicants, if any, for the Superintendent of Agriculture after it fell vacant;

(2) what is the Educational qualification of the present acting Superintendent of Agriculture and how long had he been in the Department?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—(1) A list is appended (*Appendix VIII.*)

(2) B. A., B. Ag., Pusa Trained; 9 years, 8 months and 5 days.

Selling Agency—Timber.

498. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether it is a fact that one Mr. Kuruvilla has been appointed as the selling agent of Government timbers;

(2) if so, for what period and on what terms;

(3) when was he appointed;

(4) since his appointment has he effected any sales;

(5) if so, how much and at what rate or rates;

(6) how do these rates compare with the average rates which the Government auction sales were fetching;

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—(1) The Anamalais Timber Trust, of which Mr. John Kuruvilla is the Executive Director, has been appointed selling agent for the Government timber at Chalakkudi and Ernakulam depots.

(2) For 3 months on 5 per cent commission as a tentative measure.

(3) The trust was appointed selling agent on 8th January 1932.

(4) The Trust has not effected any sales since its appointment.

(5) and (6). No reply is necessary in view of the answer to part (4) above.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—(a) On what terms? I want to know whether the Government has taken any agreement from the agent.

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൩. ഈ കാര്യത്തെപ്പറ്റി ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട എഞ്ചിനീയർ യജമാൻ അവർകൾക്ക് ഇതിനു മുമ്പു് ഹർജികൾ അയച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടു്. അതിനു് ഇതുവരെ ഒരു മറുപടിയും കിട്ടിയിട്ടില്ല.

൪. പ്രജകളുടെ ക്ഷേമത്തെയും, പ്രത്യേകിച്ചു കഷ്ടകർമ്മാരുടെ അഭിവൃദ്ധിയേയും ആകാംക്ഷയോടെ പ്രതീക്ഷിച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ദിവാൻജി സ്വാമി അവർകൾ സ്ഥലത്തു വന്നു പരിശോധിച്ചു് ഈ സാധുക്കളുടെ നിലവിളിക്കു് അനുകൂലമായി ഒരു തീരുമാനം ഉണ്ടാക്കിത്തരുന്നതിനു് വണക്കമായി അപേക്ഷിച്ചു കൊള്ളുന്നു.

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APPENDIX V.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 495.)

Letter, dated 7th October 1931, C. No. 2266/07, from the Director of Public Instruction.

Subject.—Residence for Director.

'I have been experiencing great difficulty for want of a suitable residence since my coming to Cochin, as I have no house of my own and as good bungalows are not available for rent, I request that Government may be pleased to allow me to occupy the Government bungalow in which the late Mr. F. S. Davies used to live when he was Director of Public Instruction and which is now known as the Guest House. The Guest House in Trichur is very seldom occupied. Distinguished guests always used to live in the "Residency"—the Diwan's Bungalow—even when the Diwan was permanently residing there and a separate Government Guest House at Trichur was not deemed necessary. Government have been pleased to allow the present Chief Medical Officer to occupy the bungalow where his predecessors in office used to live, and I pray that the same concession may be extended to me also."

(True copy)

APPENDIX VI.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 496.)

Articles of agreement made and entered into this the day of Thulam 1105 between .. .. of the first part and.... .... to the Diwan of Cochin.... ... .. of the second part and the Diwan of Cochin on behalf of the Cochin Government of the third part, whereby each of the parties hereto, so far as the convenants and conditions of his own part are to be observed and performed covenants with the other of them as follows.—

1. The said hereby of his own free will and consent and with the approbation and consent of the said testified by the execution by him of these presents, agrees with and to the Diwan of Cochin and his successors in office that he, the said.. .. . shall well and faithfully pursue his studies at the Forest Research Institute and College, Dehra Dun, and qualify for the Imperial Forest Service.

2. The said... ... ..shall, after completing his studies at the said College and if so required to do, serve in the Cochin Forest Department for a period of not less than ten years on such appointment or appointments as the Diwan might give him and shall during the whole of such period diligently and efficiently do all acts and discharge all duties which

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may be required to be done by him in his capacity as an officer of the said department.

3. The Diwan of Cochin and his successors in office hereby engage to educate the said... ... ..at Dehra Dun in all matters relating to the said course, science, works and administration that may be deemed necessary by the authorities of the said College to teach the said... ... ..

4. The Diwan of Cochin shall pay the said... .. ...during the whole period of his duty at the said College at the rate of Rs. per mensem and thereafter while the said.. .. .. shall faithfully and deligently serve as an officer of the said Forest Department at such pay per month as the Diwan might deem fit and the said..... shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges in respect of pay, pension, and promotion accorded to officers of the said department for the time being by rules and regulations of the department.

5. Lastly, it is hereby agreed and declared that the Diwan of Cochin and his successors in office shall be at liberty to rescind the agreement on account of the negligence, failure to attend to duty, idleness or any insubordination or mis-conduct on the part of the said... .... or for any other sufficient and reasonable cause and to dismiss him from or to dispense with his services in the said College or the services of the said department and the said.. .. ..shall not be entitled to any of the privileges hereby conferred on him. But the said.. .. or the said.. .... ..shall thereupon refund to the Cochin Government the total cost including the monthly payment made to the said ... .while at the said College incurred by the Cochin Government in respect of the education of the said at the said College, and in case the said or the said makes default in making the said refund the Government may recover the same from the said or the said with all incidental costs in the matter provided for the recovery of the arrears of land revenue.

In witness whereof the said parties to these presents has hereunto set their respective hands and seals this day and year first above written.

1. (candidate) (sd).
2. (surety) (sd).
3. Diwan of Cochin. (sd).

Witnesses.—

1.
2.

(True copy)

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APPENDIX VII.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 496.)

List of applications received for training in Forestry.

Serial No.	Name	Qualifications	Age on 1—4—29/19—8—24		Caste
			Yrs.	Months	
1	A K Samban	B A (Hon) Physics	22	7	Brahmin
2	A S Seshadri	B A (Chemistry)	22	6	do
3	S Venkiteswaran	B A (Zoology & Botany)	19	10	do
4	P Narayanaswami	B A (Physics)	21	10	do
5	T H Krishna Ayyar	B A (Chemistry)	22	1	do
6	A V Krishna Ayyar	B A (Zoology & Botany)	20	10	do
7	C R Sivaramakrishna Ayyar	B A (Botany)	..	..	do
8	A Sankara Menon	B A (Chemistry)	24	10	Nayar
9	P Narayana Menon	B A (Physics)	23	11	do
10	M Madhava Menon	B A (Zoology & Botany)	24	5	do
11	A P Madhava Menon	B A (Hon) Chemistry	22	7	do
12	P Achyuta Menon	B A (Zoology & Botany)	23	9	do
13	P Govindakutti Menon	B A (Mathematics)	21	1	do
14	A Gopala Menon	B A (Physics)	20	0	do
15	V Balakrishna Menon	B A (Mathematics)	23	0	do
16	M Sankara Menon	B A (Zoology & Botany)	20	2	do
17	K Govinda Menon	B A (Mathematics)	22	2	do
18	P Chandrasekhra Menon	B A (Hon) Physics	23	8	do
19	V R Raman	B A (Zoology & Botany)	..	...	Ezhuva
20	T Gopala Marar	B A (Zoology & Botany)	23	8	Marar
21	V Sankara Panikkar	do	20	0	Panikkar
22	K Rama Pisharodi	do	22	0	Pisharodi
23	C I Verghese	do	27	0	Christian
24	M I Kuriakose	do	25	1	do

*As per applications received they had appeared for the examination but the results were not known.

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